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1. This communication is responsive to the amendment filed to	<u>6/3/05</u> .		
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-6,8-11,13-16 and 18-20</u> .			
3. The drawings filed on 28 March 2002 are accepted by the B	Examiner.		
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Response to Amendment

The amendment received 6/3/05 has been entered in full. Currently claims 7,12, and 17 have been cancelled and claims 1-6,8-11,13-16, and 18-20 are pending.

Applicant's arguments, see pages 6-9, filed 6/3/05, with respect to the claims have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of claims 1-6,8-11,13-16, and 18-20 has been withdrawn.

Reasons for Allowance

Claim 1-6,8-11,13-16, and 18-20 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: As stated in the Applicant's arguments none of the prior art discloses a method for locating an edge of a part for acceptance testing of the part comprising processing the image to locate the edge of the part in three dimensional space from data produced by analyzing the image and using the location of the edge of the part in a co-ordinate system to locate other surface features of the part and compute surface feature information for the part, wherein computing the surface feature information for the part determines acceptability of the part. Thus the independent claims 1,8,13, and 18 are allowable as well as their dependent claims 2-6,9-11,14-16, and 19-20.

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